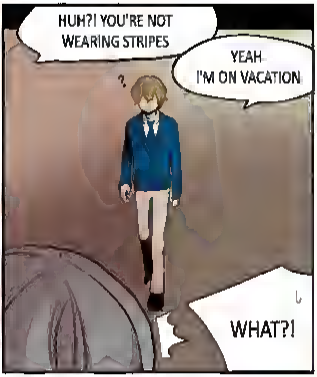
HOW'S YOUR INJURY?
IT'S FINE
THERE'S NO NEED TO WORRY

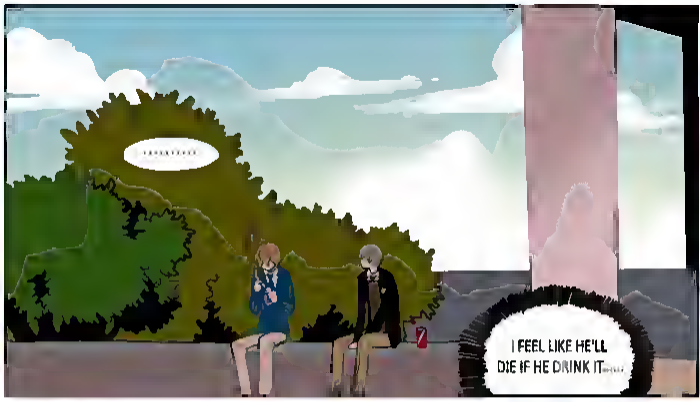

HUH?! YOU'RE NOT WEARING STRIPES
YEAH
I'M ON VACATION
WHAT?!

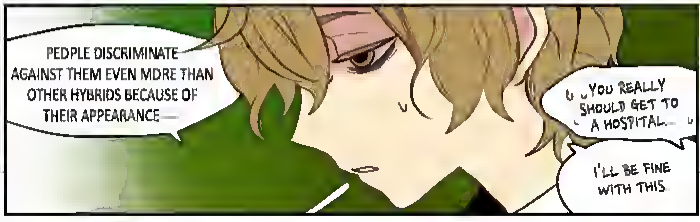
AH... SHOOT
SORRY TO BOTHER YOU LIKE THIS
IT'S ALRIGHT
I'VE JUST KEPT LYING DOWN BUT I WAS RESTLESS BECAUSE I COULDN'T SLEEP
WHAT?
FOR HOW LONG?

THREE...
THREE HOURS?

I DON'T WANT THIS KIND OF HERO

132. WHAT? THAT CAN'T BE


I FEEL LIKE HE'LL DIE IF HE DRINK IT....


PEOPLE DISCRIMINATE AGAINST THEM EVEN MORE THAN OTHER HYBRIDS BECAUSE OF THEIR APPEARANCE...
...YOU REALLY SHOULD GET TO A HOSPITAL...
I'LL BE FINE WITH THIS

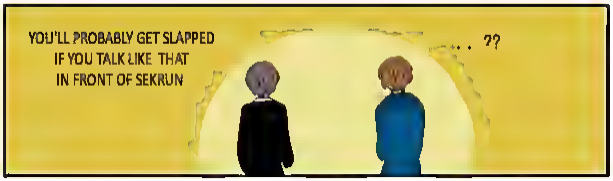
IN TODAY'S SOCIETY, INSECT AND REPTILE HYBRIDS ARE DEFINITELY LOOKED DOWN UPON MORE THAN MAMMALS
HM, ACTUALLY, I'M KIND OF SCARED OF COCKROACHES TOO SO I M NOT IN A POSITION TO SAY ANYTHING ABOUT OTHERS.

AREN'T YOU WORRIED LIKE THIS BECAUSE YOU FEEL SYMPATHY FOR THAT SNAKE HYBRID NAMED 'RULI'?
YOU DON'T NEED TO PUT YOURSELF DOWN LIKE THAT

AH..I DON'T FEEL SYMPATHY
SHE TRIED TO SET A CLOSE FRIEND ON FIRE
AH... RIGHT...

BUT NAGA, IF YOU CONSIDER THE FACT THAT SHE IS ALSO A VICTIM OF THIS SOCIETY ...
SIR

I CAN'T STAND PEOPLE WHO VENT THEIR ANGER ON INNOCENT PEOPLE
AH.... RIGHT.....


YOU'LL PROBABLY GET SLAPPED IF YOU TALK LIKE THAT IN FRONT OF SEKRUN
. . . ??

WELL, I DON'T SYMPATHIZE WITH HER AS AN INDIVIDUAL—
BUT IT DOES MAKE ME THINK A LOT—

IF IT WERE A PUPPY OR CAT INSTEAD OF A GIANT CRAB, YOUNGJEONG PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE KILLED IT SO CRUELLY, RIGHT?
WELL……

I WONDER.....
.....
.....IT SEEMS LIKE.....
.....
.....MAYBE NOT...
HUH?

...IS...YOUNGJEONG A RACIST ..?
N-NOT AT ALL
IF ANYTHING, SHE'S CONTRIBUTED ACTIVELY TO IMPROVING HUMAN RIGHTS FOR HYBRIDS

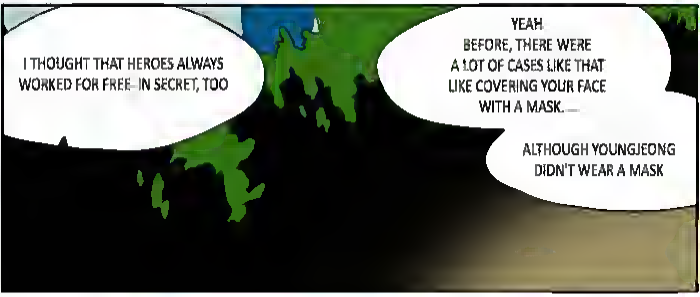
...HOW?

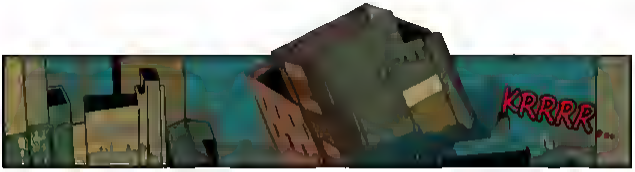
THERE ARE A LOT OF HYBRIDS AMONG HEROES.
JUST SO YOU KNOW, THE HEROES I'M REFERRING TO HERE ARE PAID WORKERS JUST LIKE YOU, AND ACTUALLY DO THE WORK THAT IS CLOSER TO THE POUCE OR RESCUE WORKERS DO

NO ONE RECOGNIZES HEROES ON THE STREET, RIGHT?
WOW, IT'S A POLICE OFFICER-! POLICE!
WHACK
CAN I HAVE YOUR AUTOGRAPH?
JUST AS THERE ARE NO PEOPLE LIKE THIS

BUT THAT SOMETIMES HAPPENS TO SASA
WELL, THAT'S BECAUSE OF HIS LOOKS

ANYWAY, BEFORE IT TURNED INTO A SALARY-BASED SYSTEM LIKE THIS YOUNGJEONG WAS AMONG THE FIRST GENERATION OF HEROES WORKING FOR FREE
AH


I THOUGHT THAT HEROES ALWAYS WORKED FOR FREE—IN SECRET, TOO
YEAH. BEFORE, THERE WERE A LOT OF CASES LIKE THAT LIKE COVERING YOUR FACE WITH A MASK.—
ALTHOUGH YOUNGJEONG DIDN'T WEAR A MASK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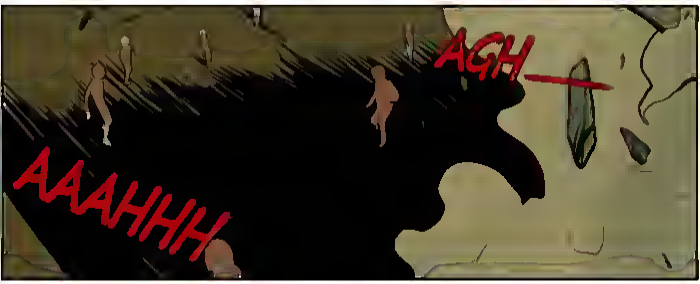
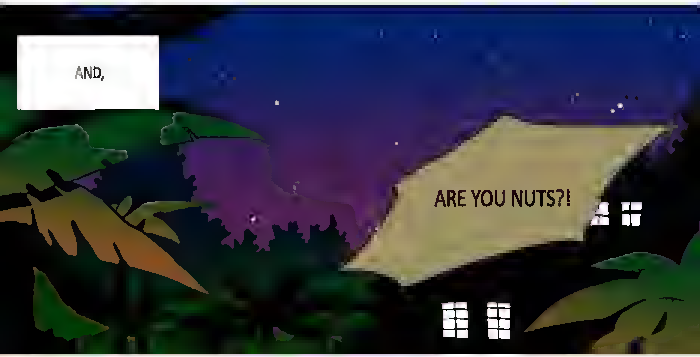

AGH
AAAHHH

FAMOUS ACTRESS AND HERO OE THE CENTURY

THUD...
YOUNGJEONG CALLED HERSELE A HERO

WH O OO
A A AA
AND THE DOMESTIC CRIME AND ACCIDENT RATE DECREASED BY OVER 80%.


AND,
ARE YOU NUTS?!

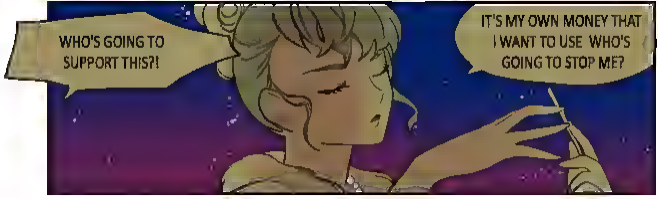
YOU WANT TO USE HYBRIDS AS HEROES?
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU?
DON'T THINK THAT I'M GOING TO BE IN MY PRIME FOREVER.
I NEED COMPANIONS.

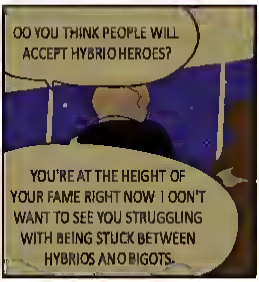
THERE ARE LOTS OF REGULAR PEOPLE! WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE HYBRIDS?
BECAUSE HEROES CAN'T BE REGULAR
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT!

DO YOU THINK THOSE SOCIAL MISFITS ARE GOING TO SERVE THE WORLD? HYBRIDS ARE VILLAINS, NOT HEROES
MISFITS? WHEN WERE THEY EVER GIVEN A CHANCE TO FIT IN?

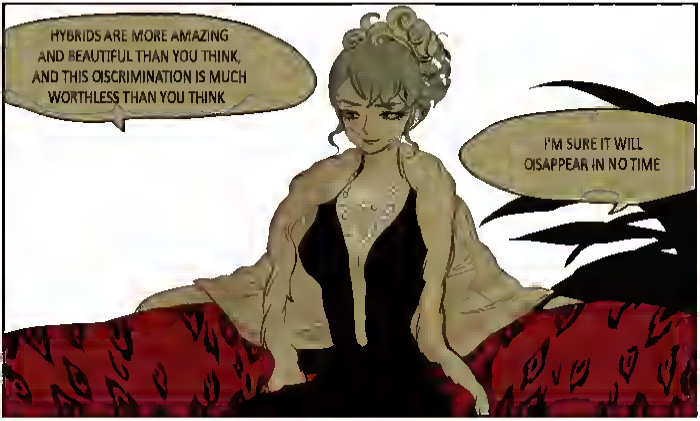
HYBRIDS AREN'T VILLAINS, THEY'RE VICTIMS WHO HAVE BEEN BRANDED AS VILLAINS
IF THEY RECEIVE FAIR PAYMENT, THEY COULD BECOME REGULAR MEMBERS OF SOCIETY— NO, THEY COULD BECOME HEROES.
THAT'S BECAUSE THEY HAVE BETTER LOOKS AND ABILITIES THAN MOST HUMANS
YOU ESPECIALLY HIGHLIGHT THAT

WAIT, YOU'RE GOING TO PAY THEM?
THAT'S RIGHT I'M GOING TO HIRE THEM AND GIVE THEM A MONTHLY SALARY

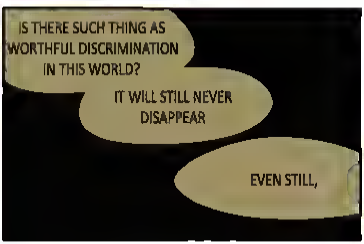

WHO'S GOING TO SUPPORT THIS?!
IT'S MY OWN MONEY THAT I WANT TO USE WHO'S GOING TO STOP ME?


DO YOU THINK PEOPLE WILL ACCEPT HYBRID HEROES?
YOU'RE AT THE HEIGHT OF YOUR FAME RIGHT NOW I DON'T WANT TO SEE YOU STRUGGLING WITH BEING STUCK BETWEEN HYBRIDS AND BIGOTS.

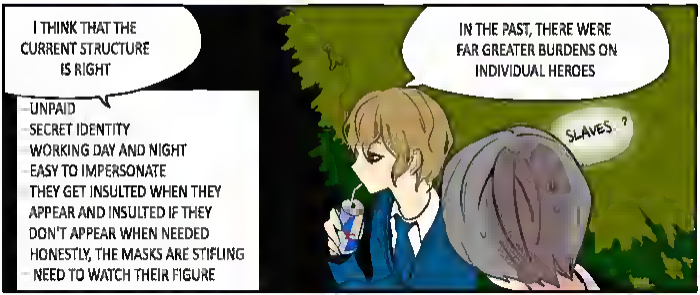
IT WILL WORK

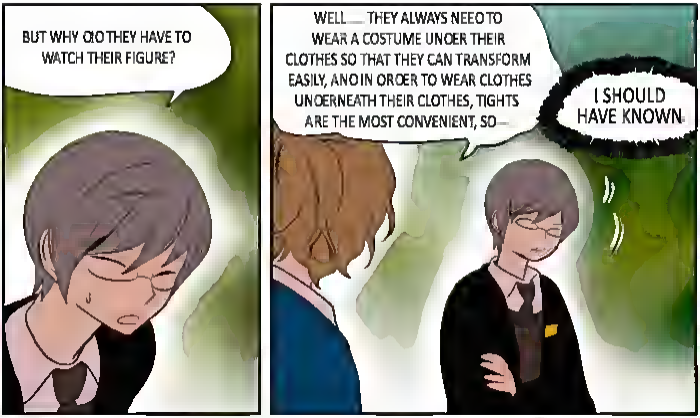

HYBRIDS ARE MORE AMAZING AND BEAUTIFUL THAN YOU THINK, AND THIS DISCRIMINATION IS MUCH WORTHLESS THAN YOU THINK
I'M SURE IT WILL DISAPPEAR IN NO TIME

THINK CAREFULLY

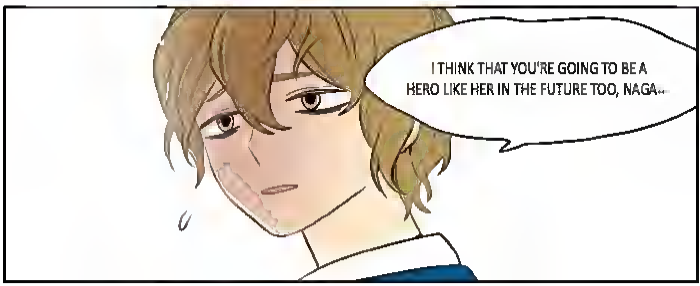

IS THERE SUCH THING AS WORTHFUL DISCRIMINATION IN THIS WORLD?
IT WILL STILL NEVER DISAPPEAR
EVEN STILL,

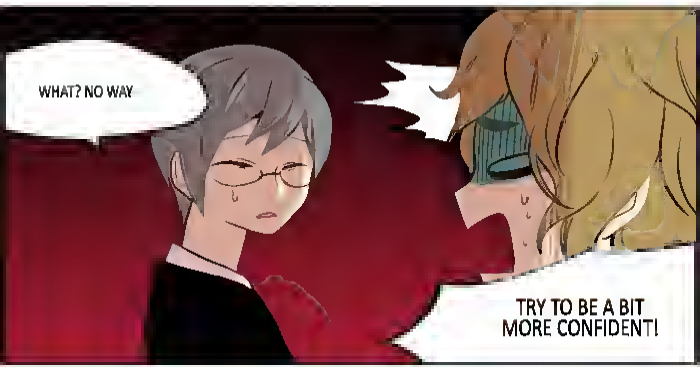
I'M A HERO.

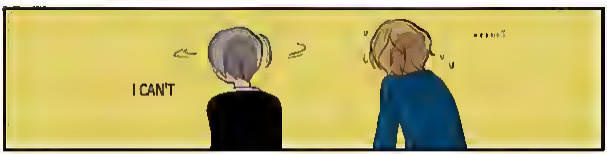

I THINK THAT THE CURRENT STRUCTURE IS RIGHT
- UNPAID
- SECRET IDENTITY
- WORKING DAY AND NIGHT
- EASY TO IMPERSONATE
THEY GET INSULTED WHEN THEY APPEAR AND INSULTED IF THEY DON'T APPEAR WHEN NEEDED
HONESTLY, THE MASKS ARE STIFLING
- NEED TO WATCH THEIR FIGURE
IN THE PAST, THERE WERE FAR GREATER BURDENS ON INDIVIDUAL HEROES
SLAVES...?


BUT WHY DO THEY HAVE TO WATCH THEIR FIGURE?
WELL... THEY ALWAYS NEED TO WEAR A COSTUME UNDER THEIR CLOTHES SO THAT THEY CAN TRANSFORM EASILY, AND IN ORDER TO WEAR CLOTHES UNDERNEATH THEIR CLOTHES, TIGHTS ARE THE MOST CONVENIENT, SO...
I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN

I STILL... CAN'T COME TO A FINAL CONCLUSION... BUT I CAN SAY ONE THING FOR SURE
YOUNGJEONG HAS ALWAYS GIVEN HERSELF FOR THE SAKE OF HUMANITY

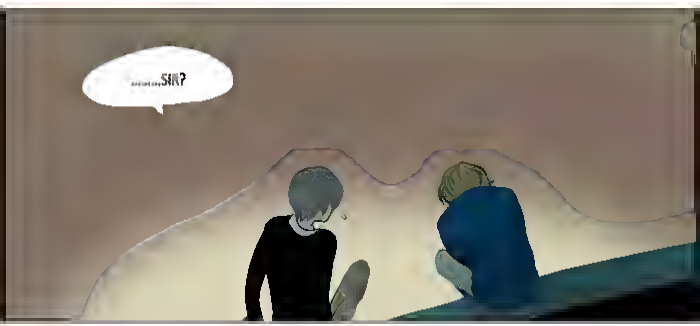

I THINK THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BE A HERO LIKE HER IN THE FUTURE TOO, NAGA...





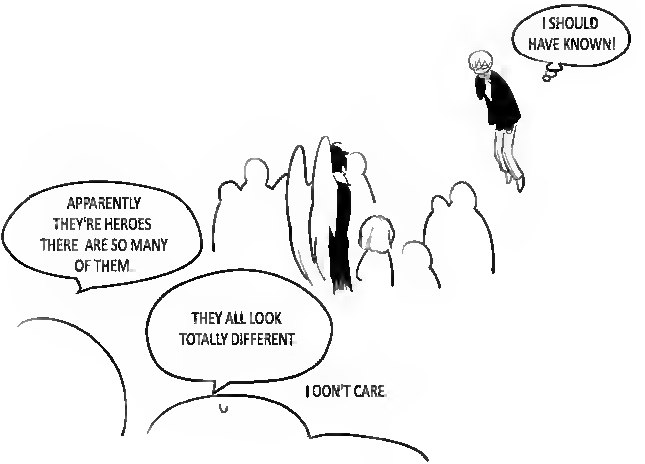
HE MUST...

HE MUST BE THINKING SOMETHING .



IT'S THE ONLY WAY...

BUT DOES IT NOT MATTER IF HEROES DON'T CONCEAL THEIR IDENTITY NOW? WHAT'S CHANGED?
?
PEOPLE ARE ALWAYS MORE INTERESTED IN SECRETS THAN IN PUBLICLY KNOWN FACTS.
PLUS INTEREST IN INDIVIDUALS GETS EVEN WEAKER IN GROUP SETTINGS.



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